



INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: 2003-2004 Influenza Virus Vaccines

1. The U.S. Army Medical Materiel Agency (USAMMA) is the Inventory Control Point (ICP) for the Army for the flu vaccine which is an AAC A item. The Defense Supply Center, Philadelphia (DSCP), contracts with manufacturers, acquires the vaccine, and distributes it to activities based on the priorities submitted to them by USAMMA. USAMMA follows all requisitions until they are fulfilled.
2. The **2003-2004 Influenza Virus Vaccine** has the following characteristics:
 - **NSN: 6505-01-503-4958**
Influenza Virus Vaccine, USP Trivalent for 2003-2004 Influenza Season, 0.5ml Dose, 10 dose Vial; Split virus, **for immunizing persons 4 years of age and older.**
Unit of Issue: VI (0.5ml dose, 10 doses per vial)
Unit Price: \$74.35
Shelf Life: 12 months
Storage: Requires refrigeration. **DO NOT FREEZE**
Store product at 2 to 8 degrees Celsius or 36 to 46 degrees Fahrenheit.
Acquisition Advice Code: A
 - **NSN: 6505-01-504-6594**
Influenza Virus Vaccine, USP Trivalent for 2003-2004 Influenza Season, 0.5ml Dose, 10 dose Vial **for immunizing persons six (6) months of age or older,** split virus only.
Unit of Issue: VI (0.5ml dose, 10 doses per vial)
Unit Price: \$74.35
Shelf Life: 12 months
Storage: Requires refrigeration. **DO NOT FREEZE.**

Store product at 2 to 8 degrees Celsius or 36 to 46 degrees Fahrenheit.
Acquisition Advice Code: A

3. National Stock Numbers (NSNs) change yearly for the flu vaccine. It is essential that the current year's NSNs be used in the requisitioning process. NSNs requisitioned must coincide with Requirements NSNs previously submitted. If a change is required, notify USAMMA's Distribution Operations Center, at 301-619-3242/4121/4198/4128/3017 or email usammafluvaccine@amedd.army.mil for assistance.
4. Requisitions shall be submitted beginning July 7, 2003:
 - a. Via Internet on USAMMA homepage at this site: <http://www.usamma.army.mil/> Note: It is preferable that requisitions be submitted via the **Internet** as the order will be processed in a more expeditious and efficient manner.
 - b. Via email to the USAMMA Flu vaccine address shown above. Email should only be used if a customer does not have Internet access. Prior to transmitting e-mail requests customer should tag their message to notify them that it has been read to ensure it is received at USAMMA.
 - c. Via hard copy via FAX to 301-619-8369. FAX is the least preferred method since customers have no guarantee their order is received or processed.
5. USAMMA will not permit activities to submit request with a priority higher than their normal routine request since all units need the vaccine at the same time. A statement will be in our outgoing message advising activities not to schedule flu shot programs until their flu vaccine arrives since delays can (and do) occur. USAMMA is not involved in contracting or acquisition of the flu vaccine; these tasks are handled by DSCP.
6. POC is Flu Vaccine Requisition Coordinator, Distribution Operations Center, at 301-619-3242, or email usammafluvaccine@amedd.army.mil